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Where Darien Stands in the Pandemic: First Selectman's Latest COVID-19 Update

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A total of 629 Darien households have had at least one resident with COVID-19 since the pandemic began, and there are a total of 921 in town who tested positive, First Selectman Jayme Stevenson said in her latest pandemic update.

She sent out the announcement on [CodeRed alert system](#) (which you can sign up for [here](#)) and on the [town government website](#).

Here's her full statement:

Good evening. This is First Selectman Jayme Stevenson with a COVID-19 update for Thursday, Jan. 21.

Ninety-five cases and one new hospitalization have been reported in the two-week period since Jan. 8. There

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are 921 aggregate cases from 629 unique households, 27 hospitalizations and eight deaths since the beginning of the pandemic here in Darien. Darien Public Schools report 37 active cases resulting in 168 quarantines. The prohibition on team sports expired on Jan. 19. Darien Public Schools and the Darien Health Department are working closely with school district coaches to reinforce all COVID rules for the safe resumption of low and moderate risk sports.

Phase 1b of the State's vaccine plan began on Monday, Jan. 18. Only Connecticut residents who are 75+ or were part of Phase 1a can register at this time. Darien residents 75+ can register online at the link in the red bar at the top of the Town of Darien [homepage](#) or you can call the Darien Health & Human Services Department at (203) 656-7328 for assistance. Additionally, Stamford Health has opened a vaccine clinic at Stamford Hospital. More information and a registration link for the Stamford clinic is available at [StamfordHealth.org](#). Telephone assistance is available from the state of Connecticut at (877)918-2224.

Yesterday, Darien Health Department held its first vaccine clinic at Town Hall for Darien residents only. We plan to hold two clinics each week depending on vaccine supply. Appointments are required. Walk-ins will be turned away. Again, only folks 75+ or those eligible under Phase 1a may register at this time. We will announce when the state expands vaccine eligibility.

As always, I recommend you speak to your healthcare provider to see if the COVID-19 vaccine is right for you.

With the roll out of vaccine, we are beginning to feel hopeful the end of the pandemic is in sight. However, your continued diligence in wearing masks, distancing and washing your hands will help keep our community healthy and safe while we work through the State's vaccination plan.

Thank you and good evening.